U.S. ARMY PUEBLO CHEMICAL DEPOT

1940s and 1950s

- 1942 Pueblo Ordnance Depot is built to store and supply ammunition materials, weapons and machinery in support of World War II. The depot provides hundreds of large general-purpose warehouses and earth-covered igloos for ammunition storage.
- 1946 · The depot mission expands to include maintenance and overhauling of artillery, fire control and optical equipment.
- 1948 Ammunition renovation and demilitarization are added to the depot mission.
- <u>1950s</u> · The depot mission further expands to include missile maintenance.
 - During the Korean War, shipments of general supplies and ammunition increase. The depot reaches its peak of operations and highest civilian strength with about 8,000 employees.
 - The depot begins storing a portion of the nation's chemical weapons stockpile.



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